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**Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics****Area Unique Identifier:** CO-S05000-006 Norwood Canyon**Acreage:** 5,600

(1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   X  

Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.):

The Colorado Wilderness Network proposal for the Norwood Canyon unit includes USFS lands. This wilderness characteristics inventory is limited to BLM lands within the RMP planning area. This constraint affects both the size and configuration (shape) of the unit.

Because at the approximate center of the BLM portion of the unit, the boundary constricts to a single point (see map above), this creates two separate, non-adjacent polygons, neither of which meets the minimum size requirement for BLM to continue analyzing them for wilderness characteristics. To meet size requirements an area must usually have 5,000 or more contiguous acres.

If the adjacent USFS lands that are included in the CWP were administratively endorsed by the USFS for wilderness protection, then we could have included those adjacent acres as part of the size analysis. Because those lands have no recommendation from the USFS for wilderness protection, they cannot be included in the BLM analysis.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ N/A   X  

(3) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ N/A   X  

Description:

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

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Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ N/A   X  

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation):

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ N/A   X  

Description:

### Summary of Analysis\*

**Area Unique Identifier:** CO-S05000-006 Norwood Canyon

**Summary**

Results of analysis:

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Does the area appear to be natural?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

4. Does the area have supplemental values? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Check one:

☐ The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics.

☒ The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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\* This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-3.